

HOUSE No. 2095

By Mr. Leary of Worcester, petition of James B. Leary for legislation to authorize certain entities access to information from the Registry of Motor Vehicles. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ENTITIES TO ACCESS INFORMATION FROM THE REGISTRY OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to
2 the contrary, the special investigation unit of the Massachusetts
3 motor vehicle insurers and the insurance fraud bureau of Massa-
4 chusetts shall have direct computerized access to the Massachu-
5 setts registry of motor vehicles and may obtain from said registry,
6 Massachusetts driver's license information, including but not lim-
7 ited to Massachusetts driver's license photographs, provided,
8 however that such access shall only be granted for the investiga-
9 tion of suspicious claims where fraudulent activity, including
10 identity fraud, on the part of the licensee or person assuming the
11 identity of the licensee, is suspected. The registry of motor vehi-
12 cles is hereby authorized to charge a reasonable fee to the special
13 investigation unit of the Massachusetts motor vehicle insurers and
14 the insurance fraud bureau of Massachusetts in exchange for pro-
15 viding such access and information.

16 Any information obtained pursuant to this act may not be dis-
17 seminated or published to any individual, excepting those con-
18 tained as aforesaid and the state police, local police, attorney
19 general's office and district attorney's offices.